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11. (S) PolOff delivered ref A demarche and non-paper regarding the concurrent Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) meeting in Tehran and the July 28 DPRK-to-Iran flight of proliferation concern to MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Department Missile Division Director Zhang Junan on July 25. PolOff stressed that the United States does not wish to interfere with or prevent DPRK diplomatic travel to the NAM meeting, but urged careful scrutiny of the flight including a possible overflight denial or requiring a landing for inspection, as appropriate. Director Zhang thanked PolOff for the additional information and said China will "consider it carefully" in deciding on a course of action. RANDT

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